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AND DEVELOPMENT - SUB-ITEM: LONG TERM REGIONAL TRENDS

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1. QUOTED BELOW IS THE REVISED TEXT OF THE POLISH
RESOLUTION ON "LONG TERM TRENDS IN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOP-
MENT OF THE WORLD REGIONS" (E/L.1780/REV.1), WHICH WAS
ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTE IN PLENARY SESSION JULY 22.

2. REVISIONS WERE MADE AS RESULT OF EXTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS
BY POLISH DELEGATION WITH OTHER INTERESTED DELEGATIONS
INCLUDING US, WITH FINAL TOUCHES WORKED OUT IN A NEGOTIATING
GROUP IN WHICH WE ALSO PARTICIPATED.

3. OPERATIVE PARA 3 WAS ADDED TO ACCOMMODATE OUR SUGGESTION
FOR A LINK TO THE ELABORATION OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY. (HERE IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT,
ACCORDING TO THE POLES, CERTAIN G-77 REPRESENTATIVES ASKED
THAT "FOR THE THIRD UN DEVELOPMENT DECADE" APPEARING
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"THE YEAR 2000" BE INSERTED IN OPERATIVE PARA 4.)

4. WITH RESPECT TO THE DEPT'S POINT ABOUT THE SYG
USING OTHER STUDIES IN ADDITION TO THE REGIONAL
COMMISSION STUDIES, WE THINK THIS IS TAKEN CARE OF BY
THE ADDITION OF "THE SYG OF UNCTAD AND THE HEADS OF
OTHER INTERESTED BODIES OF THE UN SYSTEM" FOLLOWING

"IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMITTEE FOR DEVELOPMENT PLANNING" IN OPERATIVE PARA 4. THIS WILL PRESUMABLY INCLUDE WORLD BANK ET AL.

5. OPERATIVE PARA 2 WAS ADJUSTED AT REQUEST OF UK TO AVOID IMPRESSION THAT REGIONAL COMMISSIONS HAD IT IN THEIR POWER TO LEGISLATE (RATHER THAN SIMPLY ENCOURAGE) EXPANDED ECONOMIC RELATIONS (A POINT THAT HAD APPARENTLY BEEN WORKED OUT WITH SOME DIFFICULTY IN THE ECE, USING A SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT FORMULA).

6. POLES STATE THEY WERE UNDER SOME PRESSURE FROM CERTAIN G-77 REPS AND EVEN THEIR OWN "SOCIALIST" CAMP TO ADD A POLITICAL PARA BUT HAD BEEN ABLE TO RESIST THIS, KNOWING THE POSITION OF WESTERN AND CERTAIN OTHER COUNTRIES.

7. BEGIN TEXT

EXAMINATION OF LONG-TERM TRENDS IN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF WORLD REGIONS

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL,

RECALLING GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS 3201 (S-VI) AND 3202 (S-VI) OF 1 MAY 1974 CONTAINING THE DECLARATION AND THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3281 (XXIX) OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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12 DECEMBER 1974 CONTAINING THE CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES, AS WELL AS GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3362 (S-VII) OF 16 SEPTEMBER 1975 ON DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION,

CONSIDERING THAT THE UNITED NATIONS ACTIVITIES INITIATED BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3508 (XXX) OF 15 DECEMBER 1975 ON THE EXAMINATION OF LONG-TERM TRENDS IN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGIONS OF THE WORLD SHOULD CONTRIBUTE TO PROVIDING AN ADEQUATE BASIS FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC NEGOTIATIONS RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL TRADE, PRIMARY COMMODITY AND FOOD PROBLEMS, INDUSTRIALIZATION, MONETARY PROBLEMS AND OTHER ISSUES OF PRIMORDIAL IMPORTANCE FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ON THE GLOBAL SCALE,

1. NOTES WITH SATISFACTION THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL ON LONG-TERM TRENDS OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE VARIOUS REGIONS AND THEIR MUTUAL RELATIONSHIP PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 3 OF RESOLUTION 3508 (XXX) (E/5937 AND CORR. 1 AND ADD.1-4 AND ADD.1/CORR.1-2 AND ADD.4/CORR.1);

2. RECOMMENDS THAT THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS SHOULD CONTINUE AND FURTHER EXPAND THEIR STUDIES OF LONG-TERM ECONOMIC TRENDS IN

THEIR RESPECTIVE REGIONS DESIGNED TO REACH PRACTICAL CONCLUSIONS REGARDING THE EXPANSION OF ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION BOTH ON A REGIONAL AND ON AN INTERNATIONAL SCALE;

3. AFFIRMS THE NEED TO BEAR IN MIND LONG-TERM PERSPECTIVES OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGIONS OF THE WORLD DURING THE ELABORATION OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY;

4. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMITTEE FOR DEVELOPMENT PLANNING, THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT AND THE HEADS OF OTHER INTERESTED BODIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM, TO START, ON THE BASIS OF THE REGIONAL STUDIES UNDERWAY, THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE ELABORATION OF OVER-ALL SOCIO-ECONOMIC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PERSPECTIVE OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE WORLD ECONOMY UP TO THE YEAR 2000, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS UP TO 1990, TAKING DUE ACCOUNT OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC FACTORS WITHIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTIONS, INTERREGIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIPS, SECTORAL FORECASTS AND INCLUDING METHODOLOGICAL GUIDELINES APPROPRIATE FOR THE FURTHER EXAMINATION OF LONG-TERM ECONOMIC TRENDS;

5. FURTHER REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO SUBMIT TO THE COUNCIL AT ITS SIXTY-FIFTH SESSION A PROGRESS REPORT ON THE ACTION TAKEN TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION.

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